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Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Approved For Gauley River PSD

Morgantown, WV – May 25, 2006: State Director Robert M. Steptoe, III, today announced that **Rural Development** approved a Rural Utilities Programs Grant of \$146,000 for Gauley River Public Service District, Nicholas County, WV.

Rural Development funds will be used to relocate a section of waterline to avoid the landslide-prone area where the waterline currently exists.

“Recent flooding in Nicholas County has created an urgent need for this project. Rural Development will utilize its Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG) funds to help alleviate the problem for residents within the Smith Branch area of Fayette County,” stated Steptoe.

Construction will consist of the installation of 1,200 feet of waterline within a more stable location.

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